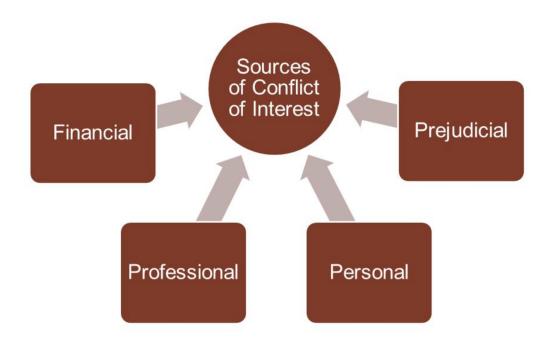
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Instructor-learner Engagement: using Video-recorded Instructions in Online Courses
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Background

University of West Florida's RN to BSN Program Key Features 800 online students

- Serve licensed RNs who are studying for BSN
- Convenient, flexible schedules
- Asynchronous (24-hour course availability from any location)
- Ranked top 20 in the country among RN to BSN online programs



Two (2) significant changes in our RN to BSN Distance Learning Program

- Traditional 14-week semester course accelerated to 7-week course (2 courses per semester).
- 2. Class sections increased in size from 30 to 100 distance learners.

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Problem, study questions and research hypothesis

Problem:

- Too many questions from large number of frustrated learners;
- Taxed the online instructor 24/7.



Study questions:

Will instructor's narrated video instructions

- 1. Increase student satisfaction?
- 2. Reduce students' questions?



Hypothesis:

Narrated video instructions in the online course will reduce questions by increasing instructor presence.





Methods

UWF IRB approval was obtained

 Students consented by agreeing to complete the anonymous endof-course survey.



Educational setting

NUR 4636

- Public Health Nursing distance-learning course
- Same instructor and assignments
- Quality Matters © National Standards met
 - Alignment of critical course components





Population:

Licensed RN to BSN learners enrolled in NUR 4636



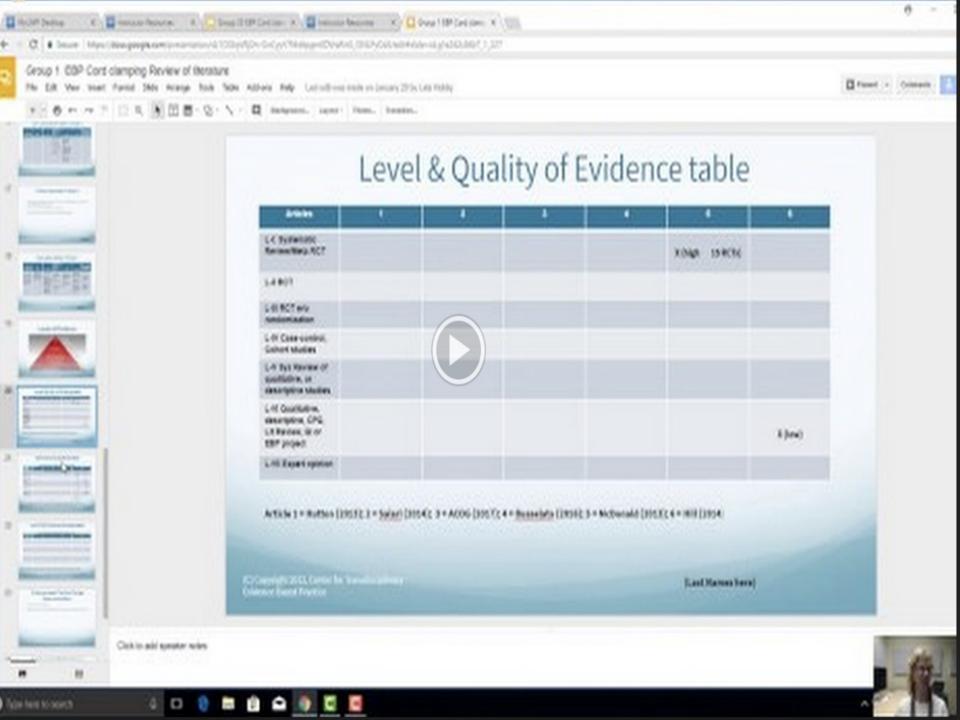
The Intervention: 4 Instructor-narrated Videos

Camtasia ©recording software: Captured Fullscreen image with Instructor's audio narration on video file

Video Topics

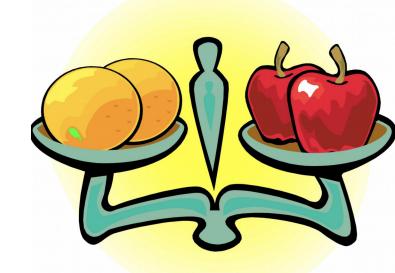
- Welcome to course video
- Three assignment directions videos
- Duration: 4-10 min.
- Saved to Google Drive
- Embedded code in course HTML





Study Design

- A comparison of outcomes were analyzed between:
 - Control group: Enrolled in Public Health course taught without instructor narrated videos
 - Intervention group: Enrolled in Public Health course
 with the four (4) Instructor narrated videos



Outcomes measured

- 1. Course Satisfaction
 - Course satisfaction scores on post-course surveys
 - Comments from students in their own words

2. Number of students' questions



Statistics

- Median course satisfaction scores for both groups were compared using Mann-Whitney-U test.
- Two-sample Z-test was used to compare the intervention vs. control group for proportion of clarification questions.

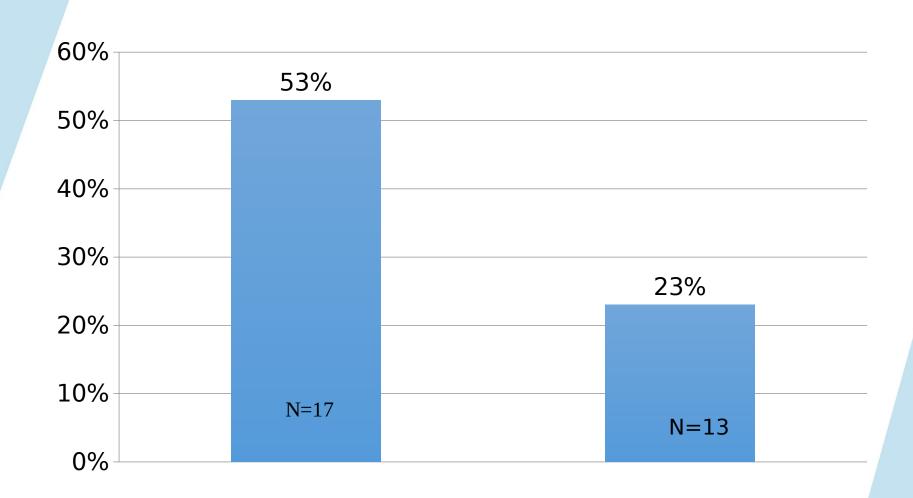


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Results



1. Satisfaction Survey: Number of negative responses were reduced (trend) but not statistically significant



Chi-square=2.73; p=0.098

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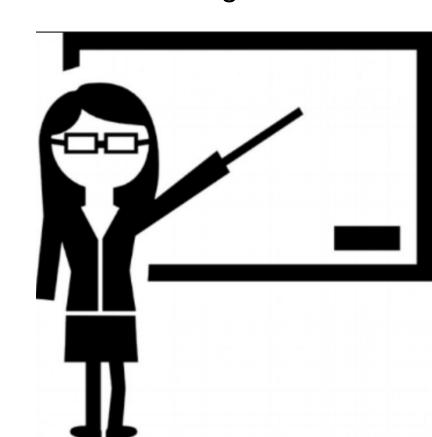
Review of Survey 'Comments'

"I appreciate the very clear detailed instructions that you give and the time you take to clearly spell out the assignment via the videos you put together."

"I was confused with this assignment but watching the

professor video helped a lot....

"Thanks for another great class and **for making this BSN stuff less painful for me!**"



"I liked the video with each of the assignments...

Sometimes reading a whole page of instructions can be difficult especially with a toddler running around. Thanks for thinking outside the box



2. Number of questions were reduced

NUR 46	36
Course	Module

Pre Q&A 'threads'

Post Q&A 'threads'

Module 1

13

6

Module 2

19

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Module 3

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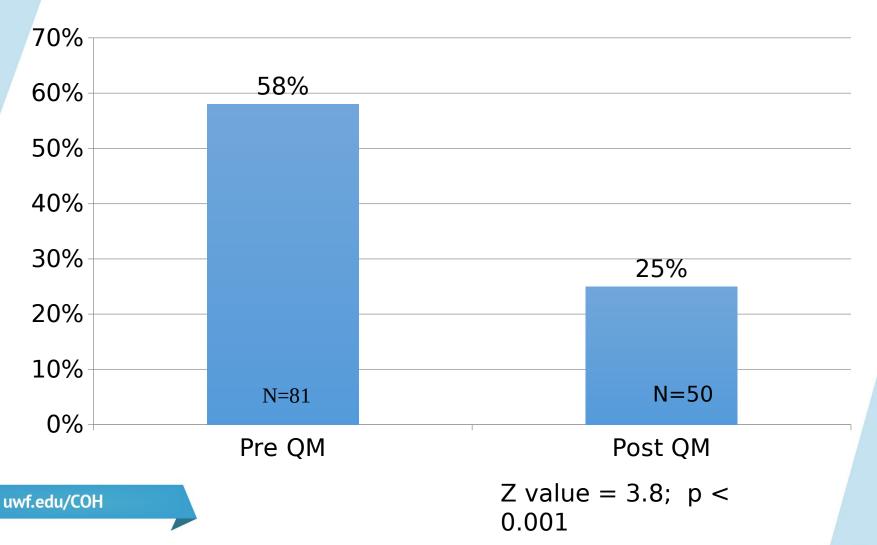
Module 4

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Proportion of total questions for all 4 modules was reduced by 34% with video intervention (p<0.001)





Discussion

Satisfaction Score Improvement

 Although not statistically significant, a large trend in reduced negative responses is seen on satisfaction surveys.



Lack of Statistical Significance For Course Satisfaction Survey Most Likely Due to Either:

- The high quality of the original online course, meeting QM © Standards, made it hard to measure improvements in satisfaction:
 - Ease of course navigation
 - Content organization
 - Alignment of course-components
- Low numbers and low power led to type II error—it is possible, given the magnitude of reduction in negative responses, that there would be a difference if n was larger

Based on the 100% positive comments:

 Videos give learners a more personal connection to the instructor by seeing and hearing the instructor on screen-capture videos.



Study's major finding: Video Instruction Reduced Questions

- There was a statistically significant reduction in questions:
 - 58% pre to 25% post introduction of video narrated
 - P<0.001 on 2 proportion Z-test
- Reduced questions makes the online course more efficient and less burdensome for the

instructor.



Limitations

- No standardized video;
- Not generalizable: One nursing course;
- Response rate was low: 17 (pre) and 13 (post) on anonymous end-of-course survey;
- All 131 learners had RN license, but may have had other unmeasured differences.

Limitations

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Conclusions

Video-guided Online Instruction Resulted in:

- Statistically significant reduction in learners' course questions.
- High learner satisfaction feedback received with positive comments; no negative comments were received.
- Instructor time was freed-up for other constructive course interactions.
- Further studies are needed to assess video use in other courses.

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